

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all previous versions and listings of claims.

Claim 1 (currently amended): A blank for a wall of a tubular carton, the blank comprising a first panel and a second panel, the first panel foldable along a fold line to a face to face relationship with the second panel, wherein the blank has a first end having engaging means to engage the first end with an opposite second end, the first panel connected to the second panel by a connecting part, extending along a part only of a mutual edge of the first panel and an edge of the second panel, wherein the connected edges of the first and second panels are adjacent an edge of the first end comprising the engaging means, and the connecting part extends along a minor part only of the edge adjacent the engaging means, and wherein the first panel is connected to the second panel along a minor part of the fold line thereof and wherein the first panel is not connected to the second panel along a major part of the fold line thereof.

Claim 2 (original): A blank according to claim 1, in which the mutual edge of the first and second panels is free from non-frangible connections apart from the connecting part.

Claim 3 (cancelled).

Claim 4 (previously presented): A blank according to claim 1, in which the connecting part extends for between about 3cm and about 5cm.

Claim 5 (original): A blank according to claim 4, in which the connecting part extends for about 4cm.

Claim 6 (previously presented): A blank according to claim 2, in which the connecting part extends for about 1/5 of the circumference of a tubular carton outer wall formed from the blank.

Claim 7 (original): A blank according to claim 1, in which the connecting part is generally central relative to the first and second panels.

Claim 8 (original): A blank according to claim 1, in which the connecting part provides a hinged connection between the first and second panels.

Claim 9 (previously presented): A blank according to claim 1, in which there is provided a first frangible tab between the first panel and the second panel.

Claim 10 (previously presented): A blank according to claim 9, in which there is provided a second frangible tab between the first panel and the second panel.

Claim 11 (previously presented): A blank according to claim 10, in which ~~[[a]]~~ the first frangible tab is provided on one side of the connecting part and the second frangible tab is provided on the other side of the connecting part.

Claim 12 (previously presented): A blank according to claim 9, in which the first frangible tab is provided in the region of an end of the first panel or the second panel.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A tubular carton wall made from a blank having a first panel and a second panel, the first panel being folded onto the second panel along a fold line and the first panel overlying a substantial part of the second panel and being in a face to face relationship with the second panel in which the first and second panels are connected by a connecting part along part only of an edge of the tubular carton wall, wherein the blank has a first end with engaging means to the first end to an opposite second end, the connecting part extends along a minor part only of the edge adjacent the engaging means, and the first panel is connected to the second panel along a minor part

thereof and wherein the first panel is not connected to the second panel along a major part of the fold line thereof.

Claim 14 (cancelled).

Claim 15 (previously presented): A tubular carton wall according to claim 13, in which the connecting part extends for between about 3cm and about 5cm.

Claim 16 (original): A tubular carton wall according to claim 15, in which the connecting part extends for about 4cm.

Claim 17 (previously presented): A tubular carton wall according to claim 13, in which the connecting part extends for about 1/5 of the circumference of a tubular carton wall formed from the blank.

Claim 18 (original): A tubular carton wall according to claim 13, in which the connecting part is generally central relative to the first and second panels.

Claim 19 (original): A tubular carton wall according to claim 13, in which an adhesive secures the first panel to the second panel.

Claim 20 (original): A tubular carton wall according to claim 13, in which the tubular carton wall is non-circular in cross-section.

Claim 21 (previously presented): A tubular carton wall comprising a first panel and a second panel, the first panel overlying a substantial part of the second panel and being in a face to face relationship with the second panel in which the first and second panels are connected by a connecting part along part only of an edge of the tubular carton wall, and made from a blank according to claim 1.

Claim 22 (withdrawn): A method of manufacturing a tubular carton wall from a blank according to claim 1, which method comprises the steps of providing an adhesive for securing the first and second panels, positioning the first and second panels in a substantially face to face relationship, holding the blank in the region of the connected part thereof and shaping the blank to the required shape.